



# Southwest Church of the Nazarene

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## Jesus Loves Me

I was lost I was in chains  
The world had a hold of me  
My heart was a stone I was covered in shame  
When He came for me

I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms

*Jesus He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me*

It was a fire deep in my soul  
I'll never be the same  
I stepped out of the dark and into the light  
When He called my name

I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms

### Chorus

He holds the stars and He holds my heart  
With healing hands that bear the scars  
The rugged cross where He died for me  
My only hope my ev'rything

### Chorus

He loves me He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
My God it's amazing oh  
Jesus loves me

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## Church Events:

- Sunday, Feb. 16th – Baptisms, Church Memberships, Children's Church Celebration (ages 3-5th), and Children's Ministry Envelope Fundraiser Closing Date
- Saturday, Feb. 22nd – 9:00am – District Celebrate Life at Westside COTN
- Sunday, Feb. 23rd – 10:40am – Church Elections & Alabaster Offering
- Friday, Feb. 28th – End of Church Year
- Saturday, Mar. 1st – 10:00am – Children's Quiz Meet at Second Chance COTN
- Week of Mar. 2nd – LIFE Groups start back up
- Saturday, Mar. 15th – RIOT Youth Italian Dinner Fundraiser
- Saturday, Apr. 5th – 10:00am – Children's District Quiz Meet at Shelbyville COTN
- Saturday, Apr. 12th – NMI Convention
- Saturday, Apr. 26th – NDI/NYI Convention
- Saturday, May 3rd – 10:00am – Children's State Quiz Meet
- Sunday, May 4th & Monday, May 5th – District Assembly at Indy 1<sup>st</sup> COTN
- Thursday, May 8th - Saturday, May 10th – Regional Celebrate Life at ONU
- Saturday, May 31st – Children's Regional Quiz Meet at Olivet Nazarene University



## Praises:

- ❖ Praise the Lord for a wonderful Children's Quiz meet at SW Church on Saturday! The children displayed their Biblical knowledge by answering questions and quoting scripture. Congrats to our two quiz teams. The boys team, made up of John Hambrick and Faith & Emmanuel Reeves, received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 3-person team category. The girls team, made up of Mackenzie & Natalie Plank and Aubree & Rylee Wood, received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 4-person team category. Way to go! Thanks to Sarah Wood and team – along with all the volunteers – for making it run smoothly!
- ❖ Praise the Lord for a wonderful Sunday at SW Church! From Sunday school classes, to Pastor Scott's impactful message, worship in music, prayer, and praise, and then finally the good fellowship and food of the Chili Cook Off... it was a great day! PTL for Sundays! We want to congratulate our winners: 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner – Susan Broce, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner – Buffie Winkel, and 1<sup>st</sup> place winner – Phyllis Beavers! Well done! We had delicious sandwiches, chilis, and desserts! Thank you to Katrina, Lisa, the judges, and all the helpers who made this event a great success!

## Prayer Needs:

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- ❖ Pray for our unsaved loved ones, those dealing with addictions, and the unspoken requests of our church family.
- ❖ For Personal Prayer Needs, please see the emailed and mailed versions of the church newsletter.

To keep our prayer needs list current, we are asking you to let us know if you'd like the requests that are currently in the newsletter to remain in future newsletters (or have any changes). With the several prayer needs we receive weekly, we want to be sure we capture them in the our printed prayer needs. Let Katrina know if you'd like your requests to stay or if they can be removed from our weekly newsletter. Thanks!



# Announcements

## Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> is Alabaster Sunday!



Bring your Alabaster boxes, checks, cash, change, or online giving this morning and we'll have the Alabaster

march! The Church of the Nazarene website explains where your donations may be used. The Alabaster Offering provides funds for property and buildings around the world. While we understand the church consists of the people of God and not a building, buildings erected for the purpose of ministry help provide a sense of permanence, functionally enhance ministry efforts, & convey an attitude that the Church of the Nazarene intends to "put down roots."

### Use of Alabaster funds

Alabaster funds are to be used for new churches to:

- Purchase a property or church building
- Purchase or build a church parsonage
  - Build a church building
- Convert a property into a church gathering space
- Meet initial costs to rent a church meeting space for a limited period

**Alabaster funds may also be used to:**

- Purchase or build missionary homes
- Purchase or build regional or field missions facilities
  - Build or repurpose buildings on Bible college campuses

On **Sunday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>**, we'll have **Church Elections**. These elections will be for open church board positions, NDI board, NMI council, and NYI council, and delegates for NDI, NMI, and NYI Conventions and District Assembly. We thank you for helping to choose those who represent Southwest Church in these various roles and assemblies.



### Southwest Church Food Pantry

Can you help us stock the pantry? We have several new families coming each month looking for some assistance with food. Items needed include: 1 lb pkg of ground beef or turkey; whole chickens; chicken nuggets, lunch meat; hot dogs; bacon; peanut butter; jelly; canned tuna, chicken, veggies, soup, & fruit; flour; sugar; toilet paper; soap; toothpaste; shampoo; laundry detergent; deodorant; pasta; pasta sauce; bottled water; boxed cereal; pancake mix; syrup; ramen noodles; etc.



**Sunday,  
February  
16<sup>th</sup>  
is Baptism  
& Church  
Membership  
Sunday!**

Southwest  
Church  
Membership



**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> –  
RIOT Youth Italian Dinner  
Fundraiser**

Good Italian Food for a Good Cause! Proceeds from this dinner will help our teens who will be going to NYC next year!



More details soon!

INDY NYI **CELEBRATE** LIFE '25  
February 22nd  
9am-3pm

**WORSHIP:** The Narrow

**SPEAKER:** Marissa McCrary  
w/ Yeshua Garcia & Libby Fish

**WESTSIDE CHURCH**  
8610 W 10th St | Indianapolis, IN

**REGISTER**



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PERSON

**EVENTS**



QUESTIONS? EMAIL US  
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**Indy NYI District Celebrate Life –** Teens in grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> come together to compete in activities such as basketball, chess, Bible quizzing, singing, playing musical instruments, poetry, photography, and more! Some will advance to the regional Celebrate Life at ONU!



The Southwest Children's Quiz Team – Girls  
 Aubree Wood, Rylee Wood, Natalie Plank,  
 & Mackenzie Plank  
 Received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 4-person team category



The Southwest Children's Quiz Team – Boys  
 John Hambrick, Faith Reeves, & Emmanuel Reeves  
 Received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 3-person team category



# Southwest Church Happenings in Photos:



Check out the new Southwest Church Bus – new paint & graphics!



**Chili Cook Off Winners:**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> place - Susan Broce  
 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Buffie Winkel  
 1<sup>st</sup> place - Phyllis Beavers





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>  
at 10:40am  
Meet in Children's  
Church



Children's Church Celebration – Kids ages 3-5th grade, please join us as we celebrate Jesus' love for you! Our celebration will include stories, games, snacks, and crafts. Please bring valentines to share with your friends if you'd like!

## Children's Ministry Envelope Fundraiser

Through Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, check out the foyer bulletin board to simply pick a beautifully decorated envelope or two. The envelopes will have a number on the upper right-hand corner between \$5 -\$50. That is the amount to which you are committing to donate to help support the children's department. You may keep the envelope as a reminder to pray and make the donation online or put into the tithe box at the back of the sanctuary. Please be sure it's marked for "Children's Ministry." Thank you for your prayers & support!

### Second Chance COTN

149 VESTA RD, PLAINFIELD, IN 46168  
SATURDAY, MAR. 1<sup>ST</sup> AT 10:00AM

### District Quiz at 1st COTN - Shelbyville

2315 S RILEY HWY, SHELBYVILLE, IN 46176  
SATURDAY, APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup> AT 10:00AM

### State Quiz - 5/3/25

### Regional Quiz at ONU- 5/31/25

*Children's  
Quizzins*



Mom Squad next meets on Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. We'll meet on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Women of all ages are welcome – no matter how old your children are! Won't you join us for discussion, snacks, and fellowship?

Questions: See Renee Plank.

NEW SERIES  
"WE ARE FREE!  
NOW WHAT?"



**EXODUS**  
13 - 19

40 Days of Prayer and  
Bible Reading  
Exodus 1-40

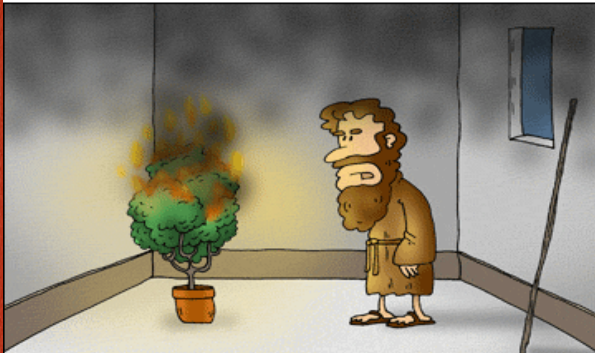
STARTING JANUARY 5 -  
FEBRUARY 13

*FAST once a week*

### Rise & Shine (Men's & Women's) Breakfast Club Schedule (9:00am Tuesdays)

- 2/18 - Flapjacks Pancake House (414 W Main St, Plainfield, IN 46168)
- 2/25 - Bob Evans (25 S High School Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46241)
- 3/4 - Cracker Barrel (6256 Cambridge Way, Plainfield, IN 46168)
- 3/11 - Morgan's Corner Café (457 Town Ctr St, Mooresville, IN 46168)

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(See Acts 7:30-34)

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I LOVE OUR CONVERSATIONS, BUT OUR BEING ROOMMATES JUST ISN'T GOING TO WORK OUT

### LUKE 19:10 NIV

"FOR THE SON OF MAN  
CAME TO SEEK AND  
TO SAVE THE LOST."

## LIFE Groups

- Start Date: the week of March 2<sup>nd</sup>  
\*Unless your group would like to start sooner.
- Study Choice: continue with sermon-based discussion or use a video or book-based discussion. Your group can each decide!
- Food or no food? That is the question. Your group can choose!
- Create a natural break for your group. No set time to end meeting.  
(For example: start in March and end in May, then start back in July again). Whatever works best for your group!

**IMPORTANT:** Remember the LIFE Groups are smaller discipleship groups focused on BUILDING relationships and strengthening one another in Christ. It's doing LIFE together:

- L – LEARN ABOUT OTHERS (Listen and Care)
- I – INSTRUCTION (Bible Focused)
- F – FELLOWSHIP (Food Time and Conversation)
- E – ENCOURAGEMENT (Faith)

